Listing of Claims:

This listing of claims replaces all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

1. (Currently Amended): A method for the creation of an electronic container comprising

Creating creating an electronic version of at least one object;

Creating creating a graphical code representing information about the at least one object;

Associating associating the graphical code with the at least one object;

Assigning assigning a common transaction identifier with to the graphical code at least one object, and

Storing storing the at least one object with other objects having the same transaction identifier.

- (Original): The method for the creation of an electronic container of claim 1
 wherein the graphical code comprises unique index information about the at least one
 object.
- 3. (Original): The method for the creation of an electronic container of claim 1 wherein the graphical code comprises coordinate location relating to fields within the object.
- 4. (Original): The method for the creation of an electronic container of claim 1 wherein the graphical code comprises routing information.
- 5. (Original): The method for the creation of an electronic container of claim 1 wherein the graphical code comprises at least a one dimensional code.
- 6. (Currently Amended): The method for the creation of an electronic container of claim 1 further comprising binding the at least one object to other objects wherein the graphical code comprises binding information that relates the one object and each of the other objects to each other.



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7. (Currently Amended): A system for the creation of an electronic container comprising:

At-at least one object containing information information;

A-a workstation for inputting data about the at least one objectobject;

A-<u>a</u> graphical code creator connected to the workstation for crating a graphical code comprising the data;

A-an electronic record creator connected to the scanner for creating a composite electronic record comprising the at least one object and the graphical code; and

A-a container creator for associating the at least one object with other objects and for assigning a common transaction identifier to the at least one object.

- 8. (Original): The system for the creation of an electronic container of claim 7 wherein the graphical code comprises data concerning the at least one object.
- 9. (Original): The system for the creation of an electronic container 8 wherein the data comprises unique index data concerning the at least one object
- 10. (Original): The system for the creation of an electronic container 8 wherein the data comprises coordinate location of fields within the at least one object.
- 11. (Original): The system for the creation of an electronic container of claim 8 wherein the container creator comprises instructions for viewing the at least one object, the unique index data, and supplemental data concerning the at least one object in a viewer.
- 12. (Original): The system for the creation of an electronic container of claim 1 wherein the container creator further comprises instructions for retrieving and manipulating the at least one object using the same application that created the at least one object.
- 13. (new) A method for managing workflow within an organization comprising:
 receiving an electronic container comprising one or more objects associated with a



task and routing information associated with each of the one or more objects; routing each of the one or more objects to a recipient designated in the routing information for processing; and

receiving from each designated recipient one or more processed objects.

- 14. (new) The method for managing workflow within an organization of claim 13, wherein receiving an electronic container comprising one or more objects associated with a task comprises receiving one or more objects selected from the group consisting of an image, a document, a database, a computer generated file, and an electronic data interchange file.
- 15. (new) The method for managing workflow within an organization of claim 13, wherein receiving an electronic container comprising routing information associated with each of the one or more objects comprises receiving for each of the one or more objects a graphical code comprising the routing information.
- 16. (new) The method of managing workflow within an organization of claim 13, wherein the method further comprises receiving for at least one of the one or more objects index information.
- 17. (new) The method of managing workflow within an organization of claim 16, wherein object index information comprises information indicative of a field value, a field name, a field type, and a length value.
- 18. (new) The method of managing workflow within an organization of claim 13, wherein the method further comprises receiving a graphical code indicative of an organizational structure of the electronic container.
- 19. (new) The method of managing workflow within an organization of claim 18, wherein receiving a graphical code indicative of an organizational structure of the electronic container comprises receiving rules directed to determining the order of the objects within the container.



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20. (new) The method of managing workflow within an organization of claim 18, wherein receiving a graphical code indicative of an organizational structure of the electronic container comprises receiving rules directed to determining whether the electronic container comprises all of the objects associated with the task.